

HOUSE BILL 929

By Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33, Chapter 2 and Title 68, Chapter 11, relative to certain treatments for opiate addiction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-1602(7)(B)(iii), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(iii) Any premises occupied exclusively as the professional practice office of a physician licensed pursuant to title 63, chapter 6, part 2, and title 63, chapter 9, or dentist licensed by the state and controlled by the physician or dentist. This exception shall not apply to a physician or physicians operating a nonresidential substitution-based treatment center for opiate addiction, as defined in this section;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-1602(13), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(13) "Nonresidential substitution-based treatment center for opiate addiction" includes, but is not limited to, a facility or premises occupied as the professional practice office of a physician or physicians licensed pursuant to title 63, chapter 6, part 2, and title 63, chapter 9:

(A) That offers methadone for addiction; or

(B) That offers products containing buprenorphine, such as Subutex and Suboxone, or products containing a controlled substance designed to treat opiate addiction by preventing symptoms of withdrawal to one hundred fifty (150) or more patients;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-1607, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(n) All nonresidential substitution-based treatment centers for opiate addiction shall obtain a certificate of need by July 1, 2016.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.